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MEMORANDUM

TO: HA - Mr. Abrams
THRU: HA - Mr. Matthews
FROM: HA/HR - Theresa A. Tull
SUBJECT: Meeting with Representatives of the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo

Bob Snyder sat in on a meeting on May 10th between the two Argentine desk officers and a member of the Mothers of the Plaza de Mayo who was accompanied by a WOLA representative. The mother, who is about 50 years old, explained how negatively the Argentine Government's report on the disappeared has been received in Argentina. She claimed that despite the Government's promise contained in the report, the GOA has not provided any new information to the families of the disappeared since the report was released.

She noted that the strong statements criticizing the report issued by the Pope, the presidents of Italy and France and the prime minister of Spain all received front-page newspaper treatment, while the "cautious" U.S. statement was carried on an inside page.

She spoke dispassionately, but the sincerity of her words and feelings was evident. She herself has three children who "disappeared".

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